

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph that begins on page 1 at line 7 with the following paragraph:

The present application is related to commonly assigned, co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/736,251 _____ (~~Attorney Docket No. LEDS.00118~~) entitled "Distributed Knowledge Management System" filed even date herewith. The content of the cross referenced co-pending application is hereby incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

Please replace the abstract paragraph that begins on page 30 at line 6 with the following paragraph:

A method, system, and computer program product in a requesting local knowledge management server (LKMS) for retrieving digital assets (DAs) in a distributed data processing system (DDPS) wherein the ~~digital assets~~ DAs are stored in a distributed fashion on local storage devices is provided. In one embodiment, the requesting ~~local knowledge management server~~ LKMS queries a central registry (CR) of DA ~~digital assets~~ for the location of a requested DA ~~digital asset~~, wherein the CR ~~central registry~~ stores identity and storage location information for DAs ~~digital assets~~ within the DDPS ~~distributed data processing system~~. The requesting LKMS ~~local knowledge management server~~ then receives the storage location of the requested DA ~~digital asset~~ and sends a request for the requested DA ~~digital asset~~ to an identified LKMS ~~local knowledge management server~~ having access to the storage location of the requested DA ~~digital asset~~. The identified LKMS ~~local knowledge management~~ then retrieves the requested DA ~~digital asset~~ from the identified local knowledge management's local digital asset repository and sends it to the requesting LKMS ~~local knowledge management server~~ which then receives the DA ~~digital asset~~ from the LKMS ~~local knowledge management server~~ and presents it to a requesting user.